## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended)  A system for tracking receipt and internal movement resulting in a delivery or other final disposition status of items such as packages within an organization, wherein each item is sent by a sender and received from a carrier to be delivered to a recipient, said system comprising:

   a)      a portable data terminal programmed to:

   (i)      record information regarding the receipt of the item, and

   (ii)      record information regarding the internal movement of the item wherein the receipt information and the internal movement information are recorded with a data collection format;

   b)      a base station ~~capable of~~ for communicating with the portable data terminal for uploading electronic files ~~thereto in order to modify~~ for modifying the data collection format; and

   c)      ~~wherein the system is configurable so as to allow~~ means for allowing a user to create one or more data collection formats at the base station, and to transmit the one or more data collection formats to the portable data terminal,

       wherein the portable data terminal can ~~and to~~ collect data in the one or more ~~of the~~ data collection formats transmitted by the base station ~~at the portable data terminal~~.

2. Cancelled.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a data processing unit capable of communicating with the portable data terminal, wherein the data processing unit is programmed to

(a)    maintain a database of records relating to the received items, each of said records identifying an internal delivery address and internal movement status for a corresponding one of said received items;

(b)    maintain a database of recipient names; and

(c)    generate a manifest of selected ones of said received items.

4. (Original) The system of claim 3, wherein the data processing unit is further programmed to maintain a database of sender names, and carrier names related to said received items.

5. (Original) The system of claim 3, wherein the data processing unit is further programmed to provide status information related to said received items through searches, displays, lists, reports and other query and reporting elements.

6. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the portable data terminal is further programmed to associate the receipt of items with the recipients, the senders and the carriers.

7. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the portable data terminal comprises:

(a)    a display device to display information regarding the receipt and the internal movement of items;

(b)    an inputting device to input information regarding the receipt and the internal movement of items; and

(c)    a communication device to communicate with the base station.

8. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein the received items contain a barcode to identify the items and the inputting device includes a barcode reader to read the barcode.

9. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein the information displayed on the display device includes a popup list having entry items in order for a user to enter into the portable data terminal information regarding the receipt and the internal movement of an item by selecting the entry item from the popup list.

10. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein the display device displays a plurality of entry fields to allow a user to enter into the portable data terminal information regarding the receipt and the internal movement of an item through the entry fields.

11. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising a communication medium so as to allow the portable data terminal to communicate with the base station via the communication medium.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, further comprising a connection cradle so as to allow the portable data terminal to communicate with the data processing unit via the connection cradle.

13-24. Cancelled.